

Clerk's Office
Village of Westmont

MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING HELD **Thursday, January 16, 2020.**

Mayor Gunter called the meeting to order at **6:00 P.M.**

WESTMONT VILLAGE BOARD MEETING ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Mayor Gunter P Clerk Szymiski P

TRUSTEES: Addington P Barker P
Barry P Guzzo A
Liddle P Nero P

STAFF:

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| May <u>P</u> (Village Mgr) | Parker <u>P</u> (Finance Director) | Sylvester <u>P</u> (Community Dev. Director) |
| Brainerd <u>P</u> (HR Director) | McIntyre <u>P</u> (Communications Director) | Liljeberg <u>P</u> (I.T. Manager) |
| Chief Gunther <u>A</u> (Police Dept.) | Dep Chief Thompson <u>P</u> (Police Dept.) | Dep Chief Gruen <u>A</u> (Police Dept.) |
| Chief Riley <u>P</u> (Fire Dept.) | Dep Chief O'Hare <u>A</u> (Fire Dept.) | Richards <u>A</u> (Deputy Clerk) |
| Ramsey <u>A</u> (P.W. Director) | Noriega <u>P</u> (Assistant P.W. Director) | Mulhearn <u>P</u> (Deputy Liquor Commissioner) |

ATTORNEY: Zemenak P Carrara A

A QUORUM WAS PRESENT TO TRANSACT BUSINESS.

PRESS:

Chicago Tribune A Independent: Daniel Smrokowski A
Bugle A

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE DIRECTOR: Forssberg - P

VISITORS:

THOSE PRESENT RECITED THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

Mayor welcomed everyone to the meeting. He asked the Eagle Scout who was present to lead the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

OPEN FORUM:

Patrick Comer - Informed the public about a documentary regarding corral in the oceans. That will be shown at the Downers Grove Library on Saturday, February 1st, 2020 at 10am. The documentary is called "Chasing Corral". Dr. Ross Cunning, a marine biologist, from the Shedd Aquarium will be present and will answer questions after the film.

VOTING KEY: **A=ABSENT** **AB=ABSTAIN** **N=NO** **W=Withdrawn**
 P=PRESENT **Y=YES** **R=RECUSE**

Note: *The items listed in these minutes are summaries only and are not meant to be a direct transcript of the Mayor's, Manager's, Clerk's and Trustees' comments. For actual quotes of the referenced items please refer to the Archival video copy of this meeting.*

VOTING SUMMARY

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| TRUSTEE ADDINGTON | <u>Y</u> | <u>Y</u> | <u>Y</u> | <u>Y</u> | <u>Y</u> | <u>Y</u> |
| TRUSTEE BARKER | <u>Y</u> | <u>Y</u> | <u>Y</u> | <u>Y</u> | <u>Y</u> | <u>Y</u> |
| TRUSTEE BARRY | <u>Y</u> | <u>Y</u> | <u>Y</u> | <u>Y</u> | <u>Y</u> | <u>Y</u> |
| TRUSTEE GUZZO | <u>A</u> | <u>A</u> | <u>A</u> | <u>A</u> | <u>A</u> | <u>A</u> |
| TRUSTEE LIDDLE | <u>Y</u> | <u>Y</u> | <u>Y</u> | <u>Y</u> | <u>Y</u> | <u>Y</u> |
| TRUSTEE NERO | <u>Y</u> | <u>Y</u> | <u>Y</u> | <u>Y</u> | <u>Y</u> | <u>Y</u> |

REPORTS

Mayor Gunter

- Called up Larry McIntyre to the podium to talk about the Muddy Waters exhibit addition. Invited Joe Morganfield, son of Muddy Waters, and Keith Reich to the podium.
 - Keith Reich talked about the influence Muddy Waters had on his life. Keith is a big fan of the blues and has met many blues performers during the Taste of Westmont over the years. He has a street sign, "Honorary Muddy Waters Way" that has many autographs from blues musicians and he will be loaning it out to be displayed as part of the exhibit.
 - Joe Morganfield was asked to autograph the street sign.
- Raising Cane's is now open and there was a ribbon cutting this morning. Joe performed at their opening on Tuesday.
- Called Larry McIntyre back up to the podium. Larry invited Bob Fleck and Jacob Bearden up to the podium to talk about the Eagle Scout project.
 - Jacob talked about wanting to achieve his Eagle rank and the flag collection boxes that he had constructed so that American flags can be retired properly.
 - Bob Fleck talked about the project and working with the boy scouts.
 - Mr. Trout from the American Legion talked about how the scouts and the American Legion work together and how the flags are disposed.
- Encouraged residents to share their vision of Westmont's future. This will be part of a mural project that will be unveiled in November.

Village Clerk Szyski

- Village offices will be closed January 20th for Martin Luther King Day. Garbage and recycling service will not be affected.
- We encourage everyone to nominate individuals who dedicate themselves to giving back. You can nominate someone through the Chamber of Commerce website.
- The Public Information meeting will be held January 22nd, 10:00am at Village Hall.

Trustee Addington

- Recapped the DuPage Mayors and Managers Legislative Dinner. There was a large turn out. Commented about the cooperation among our legislators and that we have a balanced budget.
- The Community Development Committee met earlier today.
 - GoPolar Cryotherapy will be on the agenda tonight.
 - Talked about businesses putting out tables on the public-right-of-way for promotional purposes.
 - Building and fire code amendments were discussed.
 - The Community Development Department gave a comprehensive year end report for their department and there were many positive reports.
 - The Natatorium is scheduled to be completed in June.

Trustee Barry

- The next Public Safety Committee meeting is scheduled for February 27, 4:30pm, at Village Hall.
- Sign up is open for the 2020 Citizen Fire Academy. The academy will run from March 25 to April 22. The program is designed to help citizens better understand the Fire Department's firefighting and rescue operations as well as the multitude of services it provides to the community.
- Westmont firefighters made 100 care packages with funds raised by selling t-shirts at community events. The care packages will be sent overseas to Afghanistan.
- Briefly talked about the eagle scout project. A flag collection box will be placed at the Police Department at 500 N. Cass Ave.

Mayor mentioned that the Chicago Fire episode that was filmed in Westmont was on TV yesterday.

- Recapped the Economic Development Committee meeting from January 8th.
 - Talked about Windy City Cannabis dispensary which is proposed to come to Westmont on Ogden Avenue.
 - Las Palmas will be relocating to Ogden Avenue.
 - Blue Village Vinyl will be moving to Chicago Avenue.
- The next Economic Development Committee meeting is scheduled for February 5th, 9:00am at Westmont Village Hall.
- The Rotary Club is promoting "Rotary Club of Westmont - Night with the Chicago Wolves". This is a fundraiser and you can contact the Rotary Club or any rotarian for more information.
- Westmont Restaurant Week will be held January 30 - February 9th. It will be featured on ABC7 on January 30th at 11am.
- Raising Cane's had a ribbon cutting, the restaurant is now open and it is located at 60 W 63rd Street.
- Rising Goddess will have a ribbon cutting on Friday, January 17th, 11am at 208 E Chicago Avenue.
- Invited Community Development Director Bruce Sylvester to the podium to discuss the project on 63rd and Ridge Road.
 - Director Sylvester talked about the withdrawal of the application. No other action

is required at this time and the project is not going forward.

Trustee Nero

- The next Public Works meeting is scheduled for March 26th, 4:30pm at Village Hall.
- By March 12th U.S. Census letters will be arriving. Please respond as soon as possible, as it is important.
- Applications are still being taken in for Census workers. The wage rate is \$29.50/hour and .58/mile. Elected officials are not eligible.

Trustee Liddle

- The next Admin / Finance Committee meeting will be February 13th at 4:30pm at Village Hall.
- Reiterated the importance of the U.S. Census. Please be sure to be counted so that Westmont can get money from the government that goes directly to help our community.

Trustee Barker

- The next Westmont First meeting will be Tuesday, January 21, 6:00pm at the Westmont Public Library.
- The Environmental Improvement Committee will meet February 3, 6:00pm at the Westmont Public Library.
- Holiday lights are still being recycled through January 31st. There are two locations one is at the Johanik Fire Station and the other is at the Library.
- Tomorrow is the last day for Christmas Tree pick up. Trees picked up during this time will be composted. Trees must be free of decorations, tinsel, and lights, and not be placed in garbage bags or liners of any sort.

ITEMS TO BE REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA:

There was a request to pull item (7)(e)(i): Park District Winter Beerfest Fee Waiver, off of the consent agenda.

(1) CONSENT AGENDA [Omnibus Vote]:

Village Manager May addressed the Board on this agenda item.

Motion by **Trustee Addington** to approve the consent agenda.

(A) BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Board to consider approving the minutes of the December 19, 2019 Village Board Meeting.

(B) FINANCE ORDINANCE #17: Dated **January 16, 2020** in the amount of \$
3,608,384.11

(C) PURCHASE ORDERS

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| 20202002 | Intergovernmental Risk Management Agency | \$ 390,411.40 |
| 20201965 | ETSB DuPage County Finance | 22,210.78 |

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| 20201999 | ComEd | 36,729.41 |
| 20202000 | Samsara Network | 24,384.00 |
| 20202001 | Core & Main LP | 57,082.00 |
| | TOTAL OF PURCHASE ORDERS | \$ 530,817.59 |
| | TOTAL OF PURCHASE ORDERS & FINANCE ORDINANCE #17 | \$ 4,139,201.70 |

(D) 230 NORTH CASS - DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT GRANT REQUEST

Ordinance approving a Downtown Development Grant request in the amount of \$7,655 to subsidize improvements at 230 N Cass Avenue in the B-1 Downtown limited business district.

Seconded by **Trustee Liddle** and the motion passed.

VOTE ON MOTION #1

Ayes: Addington, Barker, Barry, Liddle, Nero

Nays: None

Absent: Guzzo

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

(2) Community Events - Westmont Park District Winter Beerfest - Fee Waivers

Dustin Kleefish & Bob Fleck from the Park District addressed the Board on this item.

Motion by **Trustee Liddle** to consider an ordinance approving Board to consider an ordinance approving a waiver of fees for the following items:

- Special Event Liquor License Fee
- Temporary Use Permit
- Tent Permit

Seconded by **Trustee Nero** and the motion passed.

VOTE ON MOTION #2

Ayes: Addington, Barker, Barry, Liddle, Nero

Nays: None

Absent: Guzzo

NEW BUSINESS

(3) WESTMONT PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION APPOINTMENT

Mr. Carmichael and Ms. Clemens addressed the Board on this item.

Motion by **Trustee Nero** confirming the Mayor's appointment of Alison Clemens to the Westmont Planning and Zoning Commission.

Seconded by **Trustee Addington** and the motion passed.

VOTE ON MOTION #3

Ayes: Addington, Barker, Barry, Liddle, Nero,

Nays: None

Absent: Guzzo

(4) INCREASE OF AVAILABLE MASSAGE ESTABLISHMENT LICENSES

Deputy Liquor Commissioner Mulhearn and the Applicant addressed the Board on this item.

This is just an ownership change. The business is well established in Westmont.

Motion by **Trustee Addington** to consider an ordinance increasing the number of available massage establishment licenses by one (1) to allow Beauty Concepts, 6309 Fairview Avenue, the ability to receive a license.

Seconded by **Trustee Liddle** and the motion passed.

VOTE ON MOTION #4

Ayes: Addington, Barker, Barry, Liddle, Nero

Nays: None

Absent: Guzzo

(5) LEAD WATER SERVICE LINE REPLACEMENT

Attorney Zemenak and Village Engineer Noriega addressed the Board on this item.

Motion by **Trustee Barry** to consider an ordinance amending Chapter 82, Article II, Division 3 of the Westmont Code of Ordinances regarding private lead water service line replacements.

Seconded by **Trustee Liddle** and the motion passed.

VOTE ON MOTION #5

Ayes: Addington, Barker, Barry, Liddle, Nero

Nays: None

Absent: Guzzo

MISCELLANEOUS:

- Trustee Barker congratulated GoPolar for taking advantage of the downtown funding and would encourage other businesses to do the same.

(6) ADJOURNMENT

Motion by **Trustee Liddle** to adjourn the meeting.

Seconded by **Trustee Nero** and the motion passed.

VOTE ON MOTION #6

Ayes: Addington, Barker, Barry, Liddle, Nero

Nays: None

Absent: Guzzo

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:00 P.M.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Virginia Szymski, Village Clerk

Ronald J. Gunter, Mayor

Dated this 30th day of January, 2020